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A COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE.

The fine and progressive county of Mecklenburg has taken another forward stride, in the employment of a commissioner of agriculture, who will give his advisory services to the farming interests of the county throughout the year.

Since Secretary Wilson assumed the portfolio, the United States department of agriculture has been worth to the people of the nation a great deal more than it has cost.

We expect to have a good deal more to say about this work in the county as the returns come in. As full report as possible of the year's experimenting, the record of the successes and the failures, the knowledge gained for future years, the impression that the work has made upon the people, will be found in the columns of this paper from time to time.

President Henry Wallace of the conservation congress said in his address the other night that many farmers of the present day have more faith in moon signs than in agricultural colleges and experiment stations.

THE HEALTH OFFICER.

Some health officers of the right kind are described from time to time in the Bulletin of the State board of health. The object is to set forth the type of men that should be selected, and that the influence of readers may be secured for your town and your county in securing one of the elect.

were several nearby surface closets on neighboring lots there was no typhoid fever in the surrounding blocks. All the children had fallen sick about the same time, which indicated a common origin.

While for some, alas! there is nothing but tragedy connected with that well, there is for many a life-saving lesson to be drawn from its fatal depths.

Down in Montgomery county Dr. Charles Dalgity is health officer. For some time we have noted, with gratification, unmistakable evidence of that officer's appreciation of his responsibilities as the guardian of his county's chief asset.

The people, however, must not depend upon these enthusiastic men who seek only the reward of a consciousness of duty well done.

THE UNREST OF EUROPE.

European militarism may yet get enough rope to hang itself. The announced intention of the Italian government to establish a protectorate over Tripoli at the cost of war with Turkey, if not peacefully, has so amused the advanced socialists in the Latin peninsula that 112,000 reservists have been called out to check threatened internal disorders or be used against a foreign foe at need.

There prevails throughout Europe now a spirit of unrest the like of which has not been seen since 1848, and it is mainly traceable to the war expenditures of the various powers which have cruelly loaded the poor with tax burdens, and to enforced military service which draws so many of the able-bodied men from industrial pursuits to serve under battle flags for a pittance.

Spain has not yet done with the ferment which had its inception in the draft riots for the African war in 1909. The situation there last week was grave and only by the drastic act of suspending constitutional guarantees was the premier able to prevent the fires of discontent from up-burning the thin crust.

Vienna has just been convulsed with food riots so serious as to necessitate the proclamation of martial law for the first time in 60 years and the high cost of living has resulted in disquieting demonstrations in Paris. Railway and shipping strikes of disturbing proportions have just been adjusted in England, and now the railways of Ireland are facing widespread strikes.

Political Party Disruptions

(BY SAVOYARD.) Washington, Sept. 25.—That President Taft's Hamilton speech has hopelessly disrupted the republican party there is no longer room for doubt, and that the breach will widen may confidently be expected.

In 1824 there were four tickets voted for at the presidential election all claiming to hold the doctrine of Thomas Jefferson, but the seeds of dissension were sown in fruitful soil, and by 1832 we had the political separation of the people into whigs and democrats, Henry Clay the head of the former and Andrew Jackson the leader of the latter.

A little later both parties were divided on the annexation of Texas and the extension of African slavery. Alexander H. Stephens and Abraham Lincoln, Robert Toombs and William H. Seward, Henry A. Wise, who hanged John Brown, Thaddeus Stephens, who idealized John Brown all belonged to the same party, just as Taft and LaFollette do now.

But there were disruptions. Anti-slavery whigs and anti-slavery democrats joined together and made a new party in 1854, and pro-slavery whigs joined the democratic party, which was dominated by pro-slavery leaders.

In 1872 there was a serious schism in the republican party. Greeley, Sumner, Trumbull, Adams, Schurz led a rebellion that promised a hopeless disruption. They nominated a ticket at Cincinnati that was endorsed by the democrats at Baltimore, and it is absolutely certain that Greeley and Brown would have been elected if the democrats had supported them.

After the south was "reconstructed" the electorate began to divide on economic lines. There was a Greenback party composed of dissenters from both the leading parties, both of which paid it the tribute of sycophancy; in party platform and in congressional legislation.

The court. Liquor is property and nothing is more repugnant to the law than confiscation. Anyone presenting acceptable proofs of ownership can claim seized liquor. If another person than the supposed owner proves ownership, what will be the legal status of the liquor after he receives it, if he has no government license and makes oath that he is not keeping it for sale?

The taxation value of all property in Asheville is close to twelve million dollars. Little of it, it is safe to say, either real or personal, is fixed at its value.

The Raleigh News and Observer having filed a caveat on "character" the Spartanburg Journal might find in the word "class" a descriptive term measurably satisfactory to its eager soul.

The "Back Home" Movement. Editor of The Gazette-News: "What has become of the 'back home' movement? It was one of the best things ever undertaken, but lack of co-operation—as usual—seems to have held it up," says the Montgomery (Ala.) Times.

Being of the southland, knowing well our habits of theorizing over instead of working at matters we propose, I have for some months contented myself in spreading the "back home" call throughout the west.

There is one man who can "come back" whenever he pleases—the former citizen of North Carolina who has wandered away from the fold.—Durham Sun.

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But by 1907 everybody was again in debt, and there was the inevitable panic. Had there been no panic in 1907 the G. O. P. would not have touched the tariff in 1909.

The country is not satisfied, and it intends to have a downward tinkering with the tariff. Mr. Taft has thrown himself athwart that demand and Mr. Taft will go to the wall, in an event, even should be bent face next December and become as devout for genuine tariff reform as he was for reciprocity.

Thus while we are speculating here about the value of the movement, it is doing just what was expected—working out its objects in territory where millions are hunting homes and checking the western movement of people from the south.

Vandeville Matinee, Palace, every day

PRESS COMMENT.

ABSTAIN FROM ABSINTHE. We read with interest of the gentlemen who got home and thought he had three wives. It is never wise to turn to absinthe, and seeing double ought to be enough for any man.—Charleston News and Courier.

REVENGE. Let's spurn the Canadian dime and be revenged.—Chattanooga Times.

TO SPITE HER FACE. Miss Canada has a perfect right to apply her pearly teeth to her Grecian nose in an endeavor to spite her beautiful face.—Chattanooga Times.

SOME HUGGER. A Baltimore maiden is suing a grocer for \$10,000 for hugging her. He must be a hugger from "Huggerville" to do \$10,000 worth at a single clinch.—Houston Post.

PROVIDED. Mr. Bryan's religion is summed up in the words, "Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself," provided, of course, that the neighbor believes in government ownership and the initiative, referendum and recall; otherwise, swat him.—Houston Post.

WHEN HE PLEASES. There is one man who can "come back" whenever he pleases—the former citizen of North Carolina who has wandered away from the fold.—Durham Sun.

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